



Collaboration is Key

The Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) is dedicated to the integration of state and local efforts to focus on reducing the harms and increasing the prevention of opioid misuse.

Our Prevention and Harm Reduction programs

- Naloxone education and distribution programs
- Overdose fatality review programs
- Overdose Response Project
- Syringe service and harm reduction programs

"Coordinated, informed efforts can better prevent opioid overdoses and death."

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Syringe Service and Harm Reduction Programs

The Indiana Department of Health's (IDOH's) Harm Reduction Program provides guidance, technical support and limited financial and supply support for syringe services programs (SSPs) and non-syringe harm reduction programs across Indiana.

SSPs and non-syringe harm reduction programs provide new, single use supplies to prevent the spread of blood-borne infections, including HIV and HCV, and to support the overall health of people using substances. These programs also provide HIV, HCV, STD and TB testing; wound care, overdose prevention and reversal education; referrals to physical and mental health services; substance use disorder treatment; and other social services.

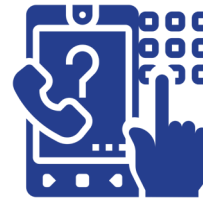


Overdose Fatality Review Committees

Local overdose fatality review committees assess whether an overdose death could have been prevented using analysis by multiagency, interdisciplinary teams of local health departments, law enforcement, emergency responders, healthcare providers, social services, and medical examiners. These committees review potential gaps in services that need improved to prevent future deaths.

Overdose Response Programs

Local health departments, in collaboration with IDOH, have created overdose response programs and plans that can address overdose spikes in their communities. These community-created plans identify key stakeholders, leverage funding opportunities, and implement community education initiatives.



Naloxone Education and Distribution

IDOH works closely with local health departments, prevention organizations, stakeholders, and the public to disseminate vital education and training on the importance of using naloxone to reverse an opioid overdose to prevent death.



Naloxone distribution has occurred across the state through naloxone grants for local health departments and first responders located in rural counties.

If you or someone you know could benefit from naloxone training, access, and education, please contact your local health department, IDOH or visit:

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Learn More

For more information regarding SSPs and harm reduction programming, contact your local health department, IDOH or visit:

IN.gov/Health/HIV-STD-viral-hepatitis/harm-reduction-and-syringe-service-programs/